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SUBJECT : Appearance at Vanderbilt University

On 13-14 February I participated in the Student Conference on World Affairs at Vanderbilt University as chairman of a series of round-table discussions on Africa. The discussants were students at Vanderbilt and several near-by colleges.

The conference is an annual event in which a number of experts are invited to lead discussions on topics relating to international affairs. This year's topics included the Persian Gulf, International Political Economy, East-West Balance of Power, etc. The experts were from the National War College, Princeton, and Vanderbilt. I was the only Agency representative.

The conference went smoothly. The 15 or so students on my round-table were well-informed, articulate, and friendly. The Agency enjoys a very good reputation on campus among both students and faculty and I would expect Vanderbilt to ask for an Agency representative at next year's conference.

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